

**MINUTES OF THE
TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, NATIONAL GUARD
& VETERANS' AFFAIRS
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
Room 25, House Office Building, State Capitol Complex**

Monday, February 1, 2010

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell, Co-Chair
Rep. Wayne Harper, Co-Chair
Sen. Scott K. Jenkins
Sen. Peter C. Knudson
Rep. Rebecca P. Edwards
Rep. Neil Hansen
Rep. Neal B. Hendrickson
Rep. Don L. Ipson
Rep. Patrick Painter
Rep. F. Jay Seegmiller
Rep. Kenneth Sumsion
Rep. Carl Wimmer

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sen. Mark B. Madsen
Sen. Luz Robles

STAFF PRESENT: Mark C. Bleazard, Fiscal Analyst
Rosemary Young, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of visitors and copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Sen. Van Tassell called the meeting to order at 2:13 p.m.

MOTION: Sen. Knudson moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of Jan. 27, 2010. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hendrickson, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Painter absent for the vote.

Support Services

Mark Bleazard, Fiscal Analyst, introduced the budget brief for the Support Services Division of the Department of Transportation which has the responsibility for maintaining a central records file for the Department, procurement of all supplies, supervision of the Department's bidding process, and providing administrative and secretarial support for the Transportation Commission and the director of the Department. To better coordinate budgeting within UDOT; the Administrative Division, Comptroller, Internal Auditor, Data Processing, and Ports of Entry are combined into Support Services for appropriations purposes. The base budget for the Support Services Division of UDOT line item for FY 2011 is recommended at \$29,249,100 divided as follows:

Administrative Services	\$2,546,600
Loss/Risk Management	2,547,200
Building and Grounds	952,800
Human Resources	1,316,500

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Procurement	1,180,000
Data Processing	9,516,600
Comptroller	2,531,800
Internal Auditor	802,600
Community Relations	507,100
Ports of Entry	7,347,900

Of the \$29,249,100 in this line item, \$27,296,100 is from the Transportation Fund and \$1,953,000 is from Federal Funds and there are 163.0 FTEs budgeted.

John Njord, Director of UDOT, answered questions from the committee concerning the state maps which are published by the department and other items in the budget. The staffing at ports of entry no longer being Highway Patrol was discussed. The Director pointed out that most of the Risk Management budget is for liability insurance and that Human Resources and Procurement are just pass through funds that go to another agency. Janet Steadman, UDOT Budget Manager, responded to questions concerning current expense.

Engineering Services

The Analyst presented the Budget Brief for Engineering Services, the division which is responsible for developing Utah highways from an idea stage through the planning and engineering stages until a project is to the point where a contract for construction is awarded. The base budget recommended for the Engineering Services Division of UDOT line item for FY 2011 is \$33,134,700, divided as follows:

Program Development	\$11,403,700
Preconstruction Administration	1,629,600
Environmental	915,700
Structures	2,642,200
Materials Lab	4,274,000
Engineering Services	2,274,700
Right of Way	1,786,800
Research	2,753,500
Construction Management	5,091,000
Civil Rights	363,500

Of the \$33,134,700 recommended in this line item \$17,237,000 is from the Transportation Fund, \$14,747,700 is from Federal Funds, and \$1,150,000 is from Dedicated Credits. There are 252 FTEs budgeted.

The Director introduced the new Project Development Director, Randy Park, who used to be the Region Two Director. The Director also informed the committee that through the Right of Way Division the Department acquires approximately 1,000 parcels of property per year.

Region Management

The Analyst explained that UDOT consists of a central office, four region offices, and three district maintenance offices. While the regions and districts were originally organized to perform only maintenance work, the regions acquired the function of construction, preconstruction, and materials labs when these functions were partially decentralized in order to have work planned and supervised close to the area and people being served. The base budget recommended for the Region Management line item for FY 2011 is \$26,120,400 divided as follows:

Region One	\$5,163,300
Box Elder, Cache, Morgan, Rich, Weber and Davis Counties	
Region Two	\$9,395,800
Salt Lake, Summit, and Tooele Counties	
Region Three	\$4,549,200
Dagget, Duchesne, Juab, Uintah, Utah, and Wasatch Counties	
Region Four	\$6,260,800
Fourteen Counties of the bottom half of the state	
Richfield Maintenance District	\$101,300
Garfield, Kane, Piute, Sanpete, Sevier, and Wayne Counties	
Price Maintenance District	\$313,000
Carbon, Emery, Grand, and San Juan Counties	
Cedar City Maintenance District	\$337,000
Beaver, Iron, Millard, and Washington Counties	

Of the \$26,120,400 recommended in this line item, \$21,411,800 comes from the Transportation Fund, \$3,476,400 from Federal Funds, and \$1,232,200 from Dedicated Credits. There are 259 FTEs in this line item.

Director Njord informed the committee that Region Four is now focused more on the St. George area.

MOTION: Sen. Jenkins moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hendrickson, Rep. Ipson, and Rep. Painter absent for the vote.

Sen. Van Tassell adjourned the meeting at 2:53 p.m.

Rep. Wayne Harper, Co-Chair

Sen. Kevin T. Van Tassell, Co-Chair